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Applicant: Julio C. Palmaz ) Dkt. No.: JOH2748P0044US  
Serial No.: 10/689,579 )  
Filed: October 20, 2003 ) Group Art No.: 3738  
Title: Expandable Intraluminal Graft, and ) Examiner: Paul Prebilic  
Method and Apparatus for Implanting )  
An Expandable Intraluminal Graft )

Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
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**RESPONSE TO OFFICE COMMUNICATION**

Dear Sirs:

The Office Communication mailed August 31, 2005 has been considered.

Applicant requests that the application be examined.

As this reissue application was filed on October 20, 2003, Applicant requests that it be immediately acted upon in accordance with MPEP § 1440.

Respectfully submitted,

Date: September 12, 2005

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